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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am a firm supporter of Microsoft. I feel that this antitrust case must be halted. Microsoft is a first class company that has done nothing but add productivity and capital to this nation. The Government had no business pursuing this suit in the first place. I feel that the settlement that has finally been reached must be accepted so that we can finally get back to business as usual in this country.

I feel that under the circumstances the settlement is fair, I would rather see the suit dropped but since that is unlikely a good settlement is needed. Microsoft will be held accountable to a three-person oversight committee that will monitor Microsoft's compliance with the terms. Microsoft has also agreed to design all future versions of Windows to be compatible with the products of its competitors. I feel that this settlement goes above and beyond the necessary restrictions and anyone who chooses not to accept the terms is clearly pursuing this case for personal political gain.

Please ensure that this case is put to rest with all possible haste. Free enterprise is a priceless commodity that we enjoy in this nation. Litigation like this eats away at the very fabric that holds this nation together. Thank you for considering my position.

Sincerely

Samuel Dawson

cc: Representative Jefferson Miller